

I am writing to comment on the possible changes to FM radio known as LPFM.

I listen to K-LOVE radio which is a Christian broadcast network. I choose to listen to K-LOVE because it is one of the only stations I can listen to without being offended by the talk, or songs, or anything else. It is the only station I will have on when my young nieces and nephews come for a visit. I never know what will be said or played on other stations and I do not want to take the chance of them learning bad things to say or hateful things to think.

K-LOVE is listened to by an estimated 2 million people. Many of those people, including myself support the station financially. We believe in their mission so strongly we pay each month to keep it going. Everyday the station relays stories of people who have had their lives changed by what they have heard on K-LOVE. Sometimes it is just a song that touched someone. Sometimes it was a prayer being said on air (something you would NEVER hear on other stations). Sometimes it was someone who was suicidal and called to speak to one of the station's on-staff pastors. If K-LOVE could not be heard in as many places as it is, those lives would have never been touched or in some cases, saved.

K-LOVE is very active in the local communities where it has signals. They let me know of volunteer opportunities, food drives, people who need prayer. Without their signal, I would not be aware of many of these things. Our food banks, churches and other non-profits would suffer if they lost this wonderful avenue for getting word out about their activities.

I believe that our world and especially my community is a better place because of K-LOVE. I know that they have helped me through many hard times, just knowing that they are praying for their listeners. They have saved lives. They have raised money for worthy causes. There is no concern of what I (or anyone will hear). No one is judged or put down. The audience is encouraged and lifted up, just by listening. Please do not let K-LOVE be lost to any of its audiences because of LPFM.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Kari Monson